

AMENDMENT AND PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS

Please replace all prior claims in the present application with the following claims, in which claims 1-17 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 18 is amended, and claim 19 is newly presented.

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) A method for replacing a valve stem, comprising:

disconnecting an electrode of the valve stem from a lead coupled to a terminal of ~~the~~ a battery;

replacing the valve stem; and

connecting an electrode of the replaced valve stem with the lead coupled to a terminal of the battery.

19. (New) A method according to claim 18, wherein the battery is coupled to a tire pressure sensor disposed within a tire.